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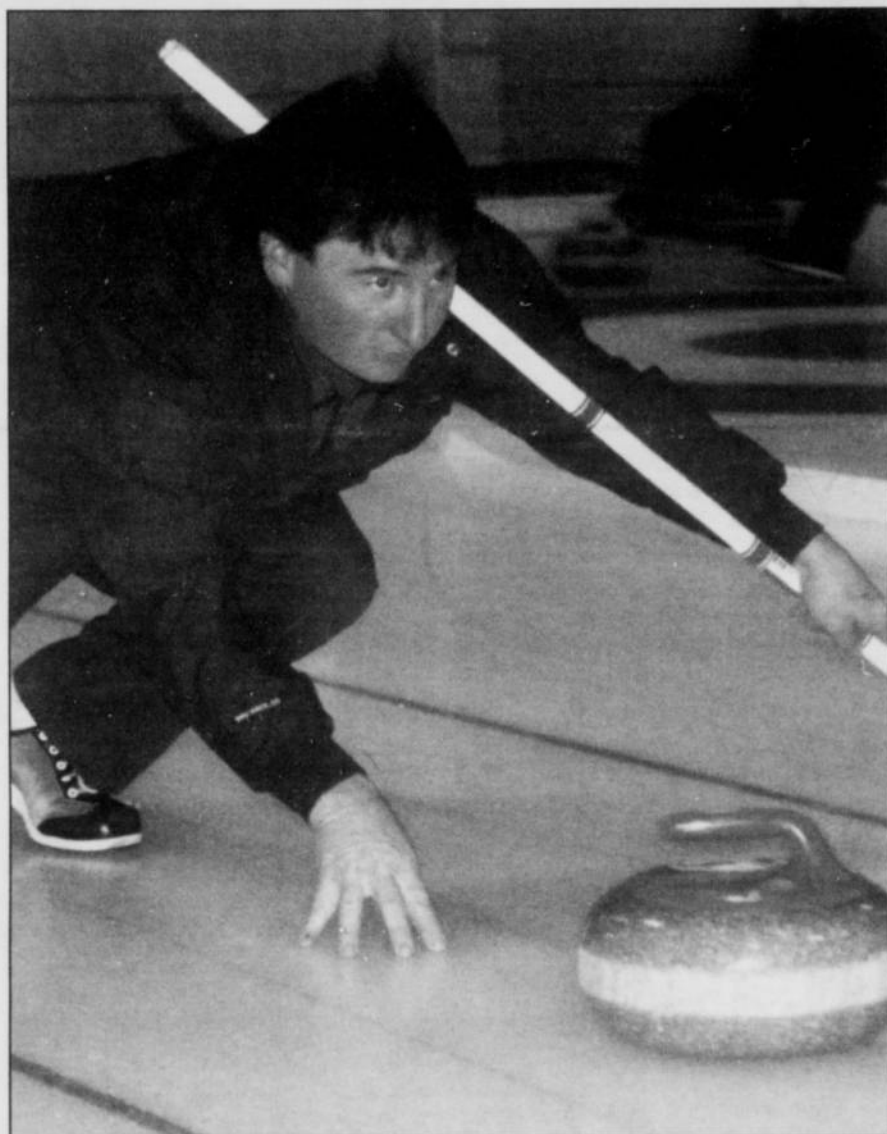
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Farm and Ranch Bonspiel draws large numbers



The Didsbury Curling rink was the place to be last week as 44 teams took to the ice in the Farm and Ranch Bonspiel.

Forty-four teams take to the ice in Didsbury in eighth annual event

by Richard Westlund

Curling and camaraderie went together hand-in-hand once again as the eighth annual farmers bonspiel took the local curling rink, and the entire Town of Didsbury for that matter, by storm.

Once again businesses and farmers were mixed together into teams to compete in the annual event that allows local businessmen and farmers to curl together in a social atmosphere.

And numbers were up from last year. Forty-four teams took to the ice this year, compared with 36 a year ago with well over 100 people participating in the event.

The bonspiel is set up so that farmers and businessmen in town have an opportunity to mingle with one another in a social atmosphere. Teams are comprised of three farmers and a local businessman.

"I enjoy it," said Mike Barr. "It's a good opportunity for farmers and ranchers to mingle with local businessmen."

And while a little bit of business might be discussed the biggest draw is the fun of getting together with friends.

"It's a chance to have a good time with the guys - lots of R and R. There are people here I haven't seen in three or four years. It's a relaxed atmosphere and you just go out and enjoy yourself."

-Wayne Heiser,
curler

"I'm here for the fun and the good time," said Wayne Heiser shortly coming off the ice from his last contest. "It's a chance to have a good time with the guys - lots of R and R. There are people here I haven't seen in three or four years."

"It's a relaxed atmosphere and you just go out and enjoy yourself."

Illustrating the point of the social aspect of the event is the lounge that remains busy year after year. After a team is finished curling it is not uncommon to see the two teams that just finished competing sitting together talking about the game over drinks.

In past years there were times when the lounge was "standing room only". This year was no exception.

To pull off a successful event of this nature year after year a group of about 20 core volunteers take care of everything from canvassing for donations to helping out daily at the rink.

Organizers credit local sponsorship as another reason for the bonspiels success.

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Mayor Moore predicts a good 2002 for Didsbury

by Richard Westlund

The mayor of Didsbury is predicting a good year for its residents and businesses that will continue to improve as the year wears on.

Dorothy Moore, who was elected to her post last fall, said she believes that growth in the town will pick up at the end of the year as the national economy improves.

"I think it might be slower in the first half but will pick up in the second half," said Moore.

In an interview with the Didsbury Review, Moore credited Didsbury's sound foundation to its people and said Didsbury will be ready for challenges and will prevail to be stronger in a year's time.



Dorothy Moore

One of the prevailing issues the town is going to have to deal with is its doctor situation. Currently resignations and a

leave of absence has left the area short-staffed.

But early in 2002 a Health Authority 5 committee has been struck that includes local members to look at the doctor-shortage problem in the area. The initiative that was brought forward by the Health Authority is impressive to Moore and she is excited about the groups ability and willingness to find a solution to the problem.

"I was really pleased with our first meeting, and I am really happy about the people we have on the board," said Moore. "I am really hopeful that we are going to get some resolutions."

Moore says she sees healthy signs across Didsbury that point towards a healthy future. She said it is exciting that the

"People have always been attracted to Didsbury's special atmosphere. It's the way people treat each other here. The praise has to be put on Didsbury's people. They have made it an attractive place."

- Dorothy Moore

valley is being developed citing the new church as an example.

Moore would like to see the growth extend into the new industrial subdivision and is optimistic about its success.

And the residential population will continue to grow in Didsbury predicts Moore, citing Didsbury as an attractive place to live.

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One of Didsbury's big advan-

tages is its location, said Moore.

Being in the strongest province in Alberta offers its own stability, but Moore said Didsbury lies in the growth corridor between Edmonton and Calgary which is a further advantage.

Moore reminds the people of Didsbury she is available to their comments at 335-7363.

CA LEADERSHIP

Myron Thompson endorses Stockwell Day for CA leadership

Myron Thompson, the Canadian Alliance MP from Wild Rose, Alberta, added his name to the growing list of MPs who are endorsing Stockwell Day's bid to renew his leadership mandate.

"Stockwell Day has shown tremendous character in challenging times — that's one of the definitions of the word 'courage'," enthused Thompson.

"I want a political leader who is going to fight for the ideas we believe in, no matter what the media elites say, no matter what our political opponents say," he added. "I want a political leader who isn't afraid to stand by his principles — and stand by me."

"When all the media pundits attacked him viciously, he never lost his cool," added Thompson.

"When dissidents went after him personally, he never sank to their level — he stayed focused on important national issues instead. And when our nation was faced with the challenge of September 11th, he rose to the occasion as the leading Canadian advocate for national security and standing by our allies."

"That's the kind of man we need as Prime Minister — someone who doesn't take his eye off the important issues. Someone who doesn't buckle under pressure."

"Stockwell has been through a trial by fire, he's withstood everything they could throw at him, and he's still fighting. I've stuck by him

since the beginning, and I'm not about to quit on him now, because he's remained true to the Canadian Alliance by returning the decision on the leadership to the grassroots members. That shows courage and dedication — the qualities

of true leadership.

"If we are ever going to reform Canada, to make it a place with a prosperous economy, safe streets, a rebuilt and proud armed forces, and strong families, we need Stockwell Day to lead us," said Thompson.

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CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Chinook's Edge teachers closer to strike

by Carla Victor

Teachers will strike if the government doesn't make drastic changes said ATA President Larry Booi.

Four hundred and sixty seven Chinook's Edge teachers showed their solidarity in Bowden, Jan. 10 to call for a strike vote; 92 per cent were in favor.

And if their mind set doesn't change before Jan. 15, there will be a teachers strike, said Local ATA rep. Bob Worsfold.

Booi was in Bowden to explain the ATA position on a provincial scale.

"I know why you have all come," said Booi. "Your are fed up and you've had enough."

He said a strike will focus on three things.

*Classroom conditions.

*Salaries that reflect what teachers think is their important contribution to society.

*Recruitment and retention of qualified people in the profession.

"We are losing our young teachers and our old ones are getting out just as quickly as they can," said Booi.

He expects teachers will receive full public support concerning their fight for better classroom conditions rather than their fight for higher salaries.

"People realize that our working conditions are their children's learning conditions," said Booi.

Worsfold said he can sympathize with students in their 12th year but teachers must be willing to sacrifice now for better working conditions and a better education system in the future.

"As a parent of a student in Grade 12, depending on how long we're out, it is going to have an affect on him in a very important year; however, I think the issues we are trying to fight for and hopefully improve are bigger than just the students this year."

He said short term pain is something students and teachers must be willing to bear.

"We are looking to improve education for all the students in the future and the teachers too."

"So short term pain for long term gain is what we are hoping for," said Worsfold.



Chinook's Edge teacher cast their ballots to determine whether or not they should take a strike vote. Ninety-two per cent of local teachers want to vote on the issue of strike action.

ing for," said Worsfold.

Booi said teachers are prepared for a long fight.

A \$13 million strike fund will get teachers through what could be a very long strike.

The fund will provide (depending on the number of teachers on strike) for \$60 per day for an expected 22 to 23 working days. After that the ATA is prepared to borrow or even go to teachers, not on strike, to ask for increases in fees in order to help support those teachers who are on strike.

The last strike in Alberta was in Battle River, 10 years ago.

Teachers will take the strike vote Jan. 15 at their schools before classes begin or during lunch hour.

Teachers must give 72 hours notice but as this is a collective bargain between numerous school divisions and the province Chinook's Edge will wait for word from other divisions before calling a strike.

It is expected the strike date will be announced after an ATA executive council meeting, Jan. 17.

"We will recommend a date which will be released after that meeting, so the earliest teachers will go on strike will be Jan.

21," said Booi.

In no way can the province force teachers to make up any time lost.

"If a strike occurs: kids lose the time and teachers lose the money."

There is an opinion that teachers could agree to work longer hours to make up the time, if it was negotiated and if the boards could afford to pay for it.

"It is possible for the boards and the teachers to come to an agreement to lengthen the school day but that could only be by collective agreement. The province cannot order it," said

Booi.

This is the first time in provincial history that ATAs have bargained with the province as a collective unit.

Booi explained this started with a precedent set by the Learning Minister to include a six per cent increase in division budgets to offer teachers.

"There has never been such wide spread action before," said Booi. "This shows solidarity is consistent all over the province. It shows we are angry enough to stick together and I think it is time the province understands teachers are angry and serious."

HEALTHCARE

Local elected officials respond to Mazankowski report

by Richard Westlund

A report for Alberta Health Care has got the attention of local officials.

Don Mazankowski released premier Ralph Klein's 12-member Advisory Council on Health's report last week which recommends increasing health-care premiums, invites more private companies into the fray, dropping insured services and emphasizing healthy lifestyles for Albertans.

Local MP Myron Thompson commended the members of the

Council for the report, which he calls innovative.

"The Mazankowski Report is the first substantial effort to bring medicare into the 21st century," said Thompson. "The report shows that the provinces are far ahead of the Liberals in responding to our pressing healthcare challenges."

Thompson criticized Federal Health Minister Allan Rock for his comments urging the provinces to hold off on health care reform until Roy Romanow issues his final report in Novem-

ber.

"The Romanow timetable means that Canadians will have to wait at least a year before they can expect any meaningful action by the Liberals to secure our health care system. Clearly that is unfair to Canadians," said Thompson.

Thompson also said he was worried the report would be dismissed because it came from the provincial level.

"For the sake of our healthcare system, let's hope that Allan Rock doesn't immediately dismiss these decisions

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—Myron Thompson,
Wild Rose MP

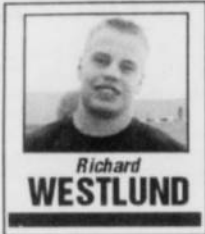
simply because they come from one of the provinces, as has been his pattern."

Local Health Board member Jim Turner was reluctant to comment on the report as he hadn't received a copy of it.

He did say that the whole health care system needed to be looked at in order to make improvements. He added that attempts to adjust or massage the current system would not work.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

A drive outside the city



Richard
WESTLUND

On my way to grab a beverage to tide me over until the end of the work day I was beckoned by a man driving a small car.

I walked over to the vehicle, the gentleman seemed harmless enough, and he asked me if there were any good thrift stores in Town.

The man was from Calgary and was in the area looking for old war treasures as he explained he was an avid collector. I quickly

recited the various locations in town where he might find what he was looking for and soon the two of us got to talking about his situation. The older model car was just purchased by the gentleman and he told me he was impressed with the gas mileage he was getting from it. Coupled with the fact that gas prices have been so low lately, he had been taking day trips to surrounding towns looking for relics of the past.

He had just come through Olds where he was unable to find anything he was looking for. His luck didn't change in Didsbury, but he marvelled about how great he thought the town was.

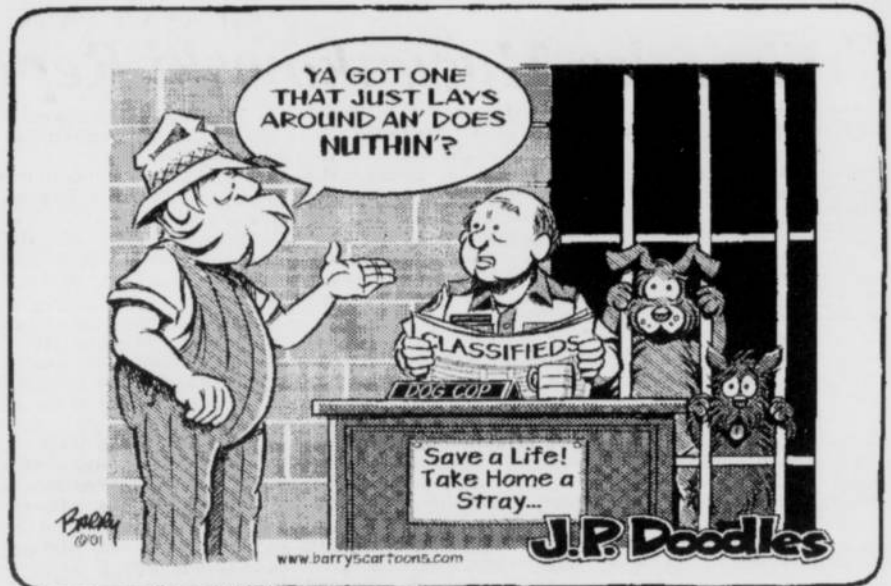
He had already found his way into the new antique store located by the newspaper office and said he had a good talk with the gentleman that ran the store. He commented on how friendly the people are and how laid-back everyone seemed.

I explained to him that he arrived in Didsbury during the Farm and Ranch Bonspiel and I told him the town more or less slows to a crawl for a week while businessmen and farmers curled together. He thought this was quite amusing and wondered if that was one of reasons the thrift store we were talking about was closed.

His tiny car whined as it rolled away from me and I stood there smiling about what had just taken place.

I have worked at the newspaper for a complete year now and I grew up in the area. I have always been appreciative of being able to grow up in such a nice area and many people I have interviewed about the Town are quick to mention the same thing.

But it was refreshing to see that an outsider came through the small town that we call home and was genuinely impressed by where we live. Didsbury is a great place and the reminder was something nice to have.



EDITORIAL

Let's stop the mad rush to prohibition

Of late MADD Canada has been lobbying the federal government to drop the legal BAC to .05 from the current limit of .08. They claim this will reduce the incidence of impaired driving, in spite of overwhelming evidence that lowering the criminal limit to .05 will not reduce deaths and injuries, and will have costly negative consequences.

Experts recognize that there is no "magic bullet" that will solve the country's impaired driving problem, including changes to the law, funding or the use of new technology. It is a complex and resistant safety challenge which calls for a combination of tactics.

Canada already has a non-criminal .05 limit. Every province, with the exception of Quebec, already enforces a BAC limit of .05 (.04 in Saskatchewan), which carries with it an immediate 12- or 24-hour administrative license suspension. Some provinces, such as Saskatchewan and Newfoundland, impose further sanctions when an individual accumulates two or three such suspensions over a set period of time. The swift and certain punishment that typifies administrative sanctions is more effective than uncertain and delayed criminal sanctions, especially when applied to more responsible drinkers who tend to have lower BAC levels.

A BAC limit of .05 would have no impact on the majority of drinking drivers responsible for fatal crashes. For example, in 1999 in Canada, 67 per cent of fatally injured drivers had not been drinking, 20 per cent had a BAC in excess of .15, only three per cent had a BAC between .05 and .08.

The relative risk of fatal crash involvement for a driver with a BAC between .05 and .08 is, indeed, higher than that of a driver with a zero BAC - about two to three times higher. But the absolute risk of crash involvement is about 0.6 driver deaths for every 100 million km traveled, so a doubling or tripling of that risk still results in an extremely small likelihood of becoming involved in a fatal crash. In fact, the increase in risk associated with a BAC of .05 has been shown to be equivalent to that of driving 5 km/hr over the posted speed limit. Should such behaviour be criminalized?

At a September 2001 Canada Safety Council

roundtable on impaired driving, participants expressed concern that the resources to combat impaired driving are inadequate. Resources are urgently needed to help police enforce the .08 limit, to enable courts and Crown Attorneys to process charges quickly and effectively, and to treat offenders with an alcohol problem.

Lowering the BAC limit to .05 in the Criminal Code would place an enormous burden on an overcrowded judicial system. It would greatly increase the number of drivers liable for criminal prosecution. In addition, people accused at the lower limit would be more likely to contest the charge, knowing a criminal record could seriously jeopardize their job prospects and (especially in today's climate) prevent travel outside Canada.

Could police adequately enforce .05 as a criminal offense? Could the courts handle the cases? Would the lower BAC reduce the number of people being killed and injured by drunk drivers? In no case do we see evidence of a positive answer.

Lowering the criminal limit to .05 would have an adverse economic impact - and unfairly so - on the hospitality industry which employs hundreds of thousands of Canadians. The lower limit poses a threat to the economic welfare and living standards of so many Canadian workers. This negative consequence - public health and safety aside - must be considered when there is no evidence that lowering the criminal limit will achieve its intended purpose.

If the limit drops to .05, these chronic offenders are far more likely to drive at three times the legal BAC, than not to drive drunk. We have achieved significant progress in the fight against impaired driving. Since 1993 there has been a 32 per cent decline in the number of people killed in alcohol related crashes in Canada. If this progress is to continue, it's pretty clear who should be targeted - people who will drink and drive whatever the legal limit is.

Good laws are driven by objectivity, hard facts and realism - not flawed public policy, political expediency, emotion and hype. Let's stop the mad rush to prohibition and find effective ways to stop chronic drunk drivers from taking the wheel.

Wonderings of the heart

"Waiting"

by Margaret Fradley

Many of you have experienced waiting for test results to come in; waiting for doctor's appointments; specialist referrals; test; and then another long wait for results before finally being able to begin treatment.

Often, others have shared with us, how they have waited and waited for such results, and how difficult it is. We listened and felt sorry for them but only recently, could we really identify with them, and what they were saying.

My husband who suffered a shoulder injury many months ago has now become part and parcel of this 'waiting game' as I call it. As it turns out, before surgery can actually take place, it will have been close to or even more than a year. Because this has now hit closer to home, we are more aware of it.

I have even 'toyed' with the idea of starting up a 'support group' for those "in waiting"! A group who could support, encourage and edify one another.

While we are waiting, perhaps it would be a good thing to remember that "a merry heart doeth good like medicine" and that there is healing in laughter.



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MLA COLUMN

What the Mazankowski Report means to Alberta

On January 8, former Deputy Prime Minister Don Mazankowski presented the Premier's Advisory Council on Health report to the Alberta government.

The much-anticipated Mazankowski report provides a comprehensive package of 44 recommendations designed to protect the public health system and ensure it is there when we need it for the future. The report is the result of more than a decade of broad public consultation and extensive study on the challenges of preserving an effective and affordable public health care system.

The council, a 12-member panel of health care and public policy experts, concluded that Alberta's health system will not be sustainable unless we are prepared to act now, and make major changes in how we fund and deliver health services. In making its recommendations, the council

stressed that its report is not about quick fixes to the current fiscal challenges in the health system. Instead, the report looks at the best ways of sustaining the system over the longer term.

The council's recommendations focus on 10 key areas:

- keeping Albertans healthy.
- putting the needs of Albertans first.
- defining comprehensive health records.
- investing in technology and establishing electronic health records.
- providing more choice, competition and accountability.
- finding better ways to pay for health services.
- attracting, retaining, and making the best use of health providers.
- setting standards for achieving better outcomes in health.
- promoting Alberta's

health sector as a powerful player to the provincial economy.

establishing a plan to implement and monitor the process of change.

The release of the Mazankowski report has again given Alberta national attention.

Clearly, Alberta has an opportunity to help all of Canada in making the needed health care reforms to preserve public health in the 21st century.

Since the release of the report, Albertans have shown their interest by requesting thousands of copies of the report, downloading it from the Alberta government Web site and calling with their questions and concerns to the Alberta government toll-free line. I'm confident the council's recommendations will assist my government colleagues and me in the process of strengthening Alberta's

health care system.

We are building a health care system that will be there when we need it - now, and for generations to come.

On January 23 the Alberta government will announce its plan to implement recommendations from the Premier's Advisory Council on Health report.

I look forward to sharing this plan with you in the weeks ahead. If you would like a copy of the report, I encourage you to visit the council's web site at www.premiersadvisory.com or call the toll-free line at 310-4455.

- from the office of Richard Marz

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Westglen wishes everyone a happy and prosperous New Year.
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Westglen Students & Staff

Mazankowski report on healthcare tainted by conflict of interest

Dear Editor,

While scanning through the report of the Alberta Premier's Advisory Council on Health, in the "Recommendations For Reform" section on page 45, I found the following entry: "If some [health] services or treatments are taken off the list or decisions are made that new treatments will not be added, those services could still be available in the health system but would be paid for through supplementary insurance, individual payments, or other approaches such as medical savings accounts."

According to the Calgary Herald (editorial in the January 7, 2002, issue), the chairman of the Advisory Council, Don Mazankowski, is a Board member of Great West Life. Great West Life offers the medical and dental health care plan "Sonata" which provides "coverage for expenses not covered by your provincial health plan."

Commenting on Mr. Don Mazankowski's involvement as Chair of the Council in a press release issued by Alberta's Official Opposition on October 31, 2001, Liberal health critic Dr. Kevin Taft stated: "Unfortunately, Mr. Mazankowski has strong ties to the insurance industry,

and this raises questions of conflict of interest." Taft went on to say: "It will be a tragedy if Albertans have their medicare system dismantled on the advice of someone who is in such an obvious conflict of interest."

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- MPC: February 6, 2002
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• DP 03-02	25 Julia Place	Single Family Dwelling	R1
• DP 04-02	104 West Heights Bay	Single Family Dwelling & Accessory Shed	R1

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Robert Wigg - Development Officer.

Lifestyles

Features • Community Clubs • Religion • Local Personalities



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Local music association holds scholarship concert

The Olds and District Music Teachers' Association held their annual scholarship concert on Friday, November 16th at the First Baptist Church in Olds. Students of the ODMTA delighted the audience with an interesting and varied program. At the conclusion of the concert, the following scholarships were presented to the students receiving the highest examination marks for the 2000/2001 teaching year:

Piano: Gr. 1--Robert Tremblay (Airdrie)
Gr. 3--Sandy Toth (Didsbury)

Gr. 6--Janice Reid (Cremona)
Gr. 2--Kailey Belsher (Olds)
Gr. 4--Stacey Ripley (Olds)
ARCT John Bouz (Sundre)

Voice: Gr. 1/2--Brianne Byiers (Didsbury) Gr. 3/4--Andraya Christensen (Olds)

Gr. 5/6--Christi Fillmore (Didsbury) Gr. 7/8--Jana Poulsen (Olds)

Instrumental:
Gr. 1/2(Percussion) Brandon Warawa (Olds)

Gr. 5/6 (Flute) Jodi Bartell (Sundre)

Preliminary Rudiments:
Justin Mogck (Olds)

Grade 1 Rudiments: Corinne McKetiak (Didsbury)

Grade 2 Rudiments: Nathan Warkentin (Didsbury)

Grade 3 Harmony: Andrew Snyder (Carstairs)

Grade 4 Harmony: Joanna Norris (Innisfail)

Grade 4 History: Joanna Norris (Innisfail)

Adult Theoretical-- Kate Chapman (Olds)

Adult Practical (Grade 5)-- Kate Chapman (Olds)

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DOCTOR SHORTAGE HA5 holds first meeting with local committee

Health Authority 5 held its first meeting on Jan. 9 with a locally established committee to address the chronic issue of physician turnover that has plagued Didsbury and Area for many years.

CEO Al Martin acted as facilitator for the meeting of the locally appointed committee. Representatives on the committee from Didsbury are Dorothy Moore, Vern Good, Harold Johnsrude, Peggy Good, and HA5 Board members Jim Turner and Grant Hemming.

The purpose of the committee is to better understand why physicians are leaving Didsbury and what solutions can be found that the community and HA5 can implement to improve the situation. Typically, Didsbury and surrounding area have five physicians—three in Didsbury, one in Carstairs, and one in Crossfield. Currently, there is one physician in Didsbury with a second on leave due to family matters, no physician in Carstairs, and one physician in Crossfield.

"One physician has requested to be placed in Didsbury and the second will be in Carstairs. Although some formalities and paperwork still need to be completed, we are optimistic that these two physicians should be in place by late February."

- Al Martin,
Healty Authority 5 CEO

Martin advised that HA5 has had some success in recruiting locum (interim) physicians for the period of Jan. 7 to Feb. 14. He added that two physicians have applied to the Region for permanent positions.

"One physician has requested to be placed in Didsbury and the second will be in Carstairs," said Martin. "Although some formalities and paperwork still need to be completed, we are optimistic that these two physicians should be in place by late February."

Martin expressed his appreciation to the community leaders who have agreed to be a part of this advisory committee to HA5. The committee will continue to meet over the next two to three months.

DRAGON'S DEN

Students preparing for final exams

Welcome back from Christmas vacation.

Everyone is busy completing their first semester and preparing for Final exams.

Curling is now underway with 20 students participating under the leadership of Mr. Dornan.

Students will partake in their first bonspiel in Sundre on Feb. 11.

Good luck Dragons!

The girls & boys JV team played a tough game against Sundre on Tuesday Jan. 8.

The girls defeated the Scorpions. Unfortunately, the boys had their first loss of the season.

CLEAN AIR

HA5 committee announces 2002 Smoke-Free Home contest

Hoping to build on the success of last year's Smoke-Free Home Contest, the Health Authority 5 Tobacco Reduction Committee has announced a new contest for 2002.

The purpose of the Smoke-Free Home Contest is to educate the public on the hazards of second-hand smoke and encourage residents of the region to maintain smoke-free homes.

A smoke-free home is defined as one where smoking is not permitted in any area of the residence.

The grand prize in the 2002 Smoke-Free Home Contest will be the winner's choice of either a West Edmonton Mall Package, featuring an overnight stay at the Fantasyland Hotel, or a Rosebud Dinner Theatre Package, which includes overnight accommodation at the Rosebud Bed and

Breakfast.

Residents of the region living in a smoke-free home may register for the contest by calling 1-866-854-4074.

Those who entered last year will be automatically entered into the draw for 2002. All contest participants will receive a smoke-free home kit.

The 2002 Smoke-Free Home Contest will close on April 15.

AROUND THE CIRCLE

Red Cross First Aid courses are being taught in Didsbury

by Marge St. Clair

Wed. Jan. 16

The Didsbury O.O.R.P. Ladies are welcoming you to the Blood Donor Clinic from 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the M.P. Room at the Complex.

You can make an appointment by phoning 1-888-236-6283 but walk-ins are very welcome.

Fri. Jan. 18

Remember the Cribbage at the Train Station in Eldon Foote Hall, play starts at 7:30 p.m.

This is a smoke free envi-

ronment.

Canadian Red Cross First Aid Courses are being taught at Westglen School Jan. 19 & 20 (Sat. & Sun.) from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Jan. 22 & 29 (Tues.) from 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Please phone Jeff at 556-1543 for more info and to register.

The Redeemer Lutheran Church invites you to "Mom's Time Out and Dad's Too" every Monday (except holidays) from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Please call 335-2388 for all the information on topics, note, there is a nominal

babysitting fee.

Bingo is back in swing again after the holidays, every Tues. night at the Elks Hall, doors open at 6:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

The Didsbury & District Historical Society elected the following executive for 2002:

Past Pres - Willard Stauffer; Pres - Dale Weiss; Vice Pres - Marilyn Stauffer; Sect'y - Denise Taylor; Treas. - Joan Court; Archivist - Jim Neis; Directors - Penny Lind, Peter Versalys, Janet MacIver, Natalie Paulgaard and Geoff Lebonovich. The

meetings are held on the 2nd Wed. of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Museum, you are welcome to attend. Winter hours for viewing are Saturdays from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., but for special occasions please phone Jim Neis 335-3133 or Willard at 335-3715. The museum is also available to be viewed by appointment.

Thurs. Jan. 24

The Fibromyalgia Support Group will meet at the Presbyterian Church in Olds from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

More info from Mel at 335-3527.

Sat. Jan. 26

Tickets and all the info for the Fun Casino night at the Elks Hall at 8:00 p.m. by phoning Jim or Sharon at 335-3481.

Sat. Jan. 26

The Mountain View Colts will host the Stavely team at the Didsbury Arena at 8:00 p.m.

Your support will be duly appreciated.

Mon. Jan. 28

St. Cyprian's A.C.W. will meet at the Church Hall at 2:30 p.m. All ladies new to the town and district welcome.

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What You Need To Know About Your 2002 Electricity Bill

The Alberta Government is committed to helping consumers make an informed transition to a competitive electricity marketplace.

The key to making good decisions in this new consumer marketplace is knowledge. Here's a look at some of the components of the 2002 residential Alberta electricity bill and what consumers should know about them.

Energy Charge

The cost of energy you used charged at cents per kilowatt hour (¢/kWh). Alberta residential consumers have the following rate options:

- Retail contracts - Retailers are offering one, two, three and/or five-year contracts with fixed prices. Consumers can benefit from stable predictable prices.
- Regulated Rate Option (RRO) - Available until December 31, 2005, to give residential customers enough time to learn about the new electricity marketplace before making their decision.
- Alberta's farm and small business consumers also have options that include fixed-term contracts and the RRO.

2000 Rate Rider

Where there was a difference between actual energy costs and the approved regulated rate in 2000, energy service providers applied to adjust consumer bills through rate riders. In 2000, the costs of providing service were much higher than the fees collected from consumers, resulting in a balance owed to the energy service providers. Upon review by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) and approval by the appropriate regulatory body, the 2000 rate riders will appear on most residential power bills for up to three years beginning early in 2002.

2001 Rate Rider

In 2001, the actual cost of providing RRO electricity service in some parts of the province was different than the prescribed RRO energy charge of 11¢/kWh. Legislation allows RRO providers to seek approval from their regulator to recover or refund this difference to consumers.

Upon review by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) and approval by the appropriate regulatory body, the 2001 rate riders will appear on most residential power bills for up to three years beginning in early 2002.

Some consumers may see large riders added to their bills. Others will see lower riders and some will pay no rider at all. Still others may be eligible for a 2001 RRO rate refund from their utility.

Retail Fixed Service Charge

The basic fee set by the retailer for providing billing, customer service, call centre and other administrative services.

Distribution Charges

The fees collected for transporting the electricity from the generator to the consumer. Regardless of consumer classification or energy charge, these regulated fees are collected by the retailer and passed on to the utility/wire service owner. Distribution charges may appear on the bill as a fixed service charge, a variable (consumption-based or demand-based) charge or both.

Municipal Franchise Fee

The fee agreed upon by the municipality and the utility or wire service owner in return for utility rights-of-way including the exclusive right to construct, maintain and operate distribution systems serving the residents of the municipalities.

Goods and Services Tax

The seven per cent (7%) federal GST is calculated based on the total value of the bill.

Where can consumers get more information?

Right now, competitive retail offers are available to most Albertans at all levels of electricity consumption. Even so, the Regulated Rate Option continues to provide lots of time for eligible consumers to learn about their options and for retail competition to increase.

Interested Albertans can obtain information from government and electricity retailers to help them make a more informed decision about their electricity service.

Questions about the 2002 Regulated Rate Option on your electricity bill?

ATCO Electric1-800-668-2248 www.atcoelectric.com
ENMAX310-2010 (toll-free in Alberta) www.enmax.com
EPCOR310-4300 (toll-free in Alberta) www.epcor.ca
Rural Electrification Association (REAs)
or Prairie Power Ltd.1-877-717-3496 (toll-free in Alberta)
www.afrea.ab.ca

Questions about how the RRO is set?

Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB)(780) 427-4901 www.eub.gov.ab.ca
REAs1-877-717-3496 (toll-free in Alberta)
www.afrea.ab.ca

Your city councilsee Blue Pages in your phone book

Questions about Alberta's new electricity marketplace?

Alberta Department of Energy(780) 427-0265 or 310-0000 (toll-free in Alberta)
www.energy.gov.ab.ca

Information on how to choose between your electricity options?

Alberta Department of Energy(780) 427-0265 or 310-0000 (toll-free in Alberta)
www.customerchoice.gov.ab.ca

For more information please visit our Web site at
www.customerchoice.gov.ab.ca

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LIFESTYLES

SOUTH WEST DIDSBURY NEWS

Sixty years of wedded bliss celebrated by local couple

by Bessie Eckstrand

Focus on the Family



QUESTION: When discussing adolescence, why do you often focus your comments on parents? It's the kids who do crazy things.

DR. DOBSON: I'm particularly concerned about idealistic and perfectionistic moms and dads who are determined to make their adolescent perform and achieve and measure up to the highest standards. In so doing, they rock a boat that is already threatened by the rapids. Perhaps another child could handle the additional turbulence, but the unsteady kid — the one who lacks common sense for a while and may even lean toward irrational behavior — could capsize if you're not careful. Don't unsettle his boat any more than you must!

I'm reminded of a waitress who recognized me when I came into the restaurant where she worked. She was not busy that day and wanted to talk about her 12-year-old daughter. As a single mother, she had gone through severe struggles with the girl, whom she identified as being very strong-willed. "We have fought tooth and nail for this entire year," she said. "It has been awful! We argue nearly every night, and most of our fights are over the same issue." I asked her what had caused the conflict, and she replied: "My daughter is still a little girl but she wants to shave her legs. I feel she's too young to be doing that, and she becomes so angry that she won't even talk to me. This has been the worst year of our lives together." I looked at the waitress and said, "Lady, buy your daughter a razor!"

That 12-year-old was paddling into a time of life that would rock her canoe good and hard. As a single parent, Mom would soon be trying to keep this rebellious kid from getting into drugs, alcohol, sex and pregnancy, early marriage, school failure, and the possibility of running away. Truly, there would be many ravenous alligators in her river within a year or two.

In that setting, it seemed unwise to make a big deal over what was essentially a non-issue. While I agreed with the mother that adolescence should not be ushered in prematurely, there were higher goals than maintaining a proper developmental timetable. I have seen other parents fight similar battles over non-essentials such as the purchase of a first bra for a flat-chested preadolescent girl. For goodness' sake! If she wants it that badly, she probably needs it for social reasons. Run, don't walk, to the nearest department store and buy her a bra. The objective, as authors Charles and Andy Stanley have written, is to keep your kids on your team. Don't throw away your friendship over behavior that has no great moral significance.

There will be plenty of real issues that require you to stand like a rock. Save your big guns for those crucial confrontations. Let me make it very clear, again, that this advice is not relevant to every teen-ager. The compliant kid who is doing wonderfully in school, has great friends, is disciplined in his conduct and loves his parents is not nearly so delicate. Perhaps his parents can urge him to reach even higher standards in his achievements and lifestyle.

My concern, however, is for that youngster who could go over the falls. He is intensely angry at home and is being influenced by a carload of crummy friends. Be very careful with him.

Pick and choose what is worth fighting for, and settle for something less than perfection on issues that don't really matter. Just get him through it!

QUESTION: We have a 7-year-old son who has been doing some pretty awful things to dogs and cats in the neighborhood. We've tried to stop him but not successfully. I wonder if there's anything to be more concerned about here.

DR. DOBSON: Cruelty to animals can be a symptom of serious emotional problems in a child, and those who do such things repeatedly are not typically just going through a phase. It should definitely be seen as a warning sign that must be checked out. I don't want to alarm you or overstate the case, but early cruelty is correlated with violent behavior as an adult. I would suggest that you take your son to a psychologist or psychiatrist for evaluation, and by all means, never tolerate any type of unkindness to animals.

Chris Christenson returned Wed. evening Jan. 9th from a 10 day trip to Germany to visit his friend Johannes Stein who had been here last year on a Student Exchange. He went to Brekenheim & security was very tight at the airport. He enjoyed visiting the castles & ancient buildings traffic was fast, some of the streets very narrow, a different culture, & food was different. He brought home some of the new currency the "Euro". It was very interesting to have been there at that time of such a momentous occasion. Glad to be home, difficult when can't speak the language.

The Jan. 6th Westcott Brunch was well attended with about 16 ladies & 10 children present. Enjoyed visiting & sampling the lovely brunch of muffins & loaf cake & squares. A nicely blooming Primrose graced the table.

Attending the Brunch were Newcomers & new Babies.

Welcome to the area was Geraldine Brown & Gary Griffin & children Stephanie 6 yrs., Jeffrey 4, & Ian 2 yrs they live north of Westcott Rd on 3.02 house on the right side of the road (where McGongingals place) Formerly form Fort McMurray.

A new baby 3 month old son Tristan - to parents Kelly & Shane Scheidmiller. Shane operates a dairy & Kelly is an aid at Horizon School in Olds.

Ksan & Kirk Fawns are proud to announce a new brother for 2 yr old Taylor - "Tage Williams Fawns" born Dec. 19th, 2001 - weighed 7 lbs. & 10 ozs.

Judi & Dale Newsome & 6 year old son Joel are proud to announce a new daughter, & sister - born Sunday, Dec. 7th - 9:43 p.m. - 8 lbs & 5 ozs. at Foot Hills Hospital.

A shower was held in

Lacey's honor on Sunday Jan. 6th at the home of Teresa & Scott Ziegler - 16 ladies were present & 10 children. Lacey received many varied & useful gifts, & all enjoyed the lovely lunch & visiting, the weather was beautiful, almost a summer day which made it great for a community gathering.

60th Wedding Anniversary

Elsie & Sandy Brander (of College Green) celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary, by the family hosting Open House at the Didsbury Complex, about 175 family & guests signed the Guest Register.

Their 10 children were all home for the big event, also 25 of their 26 grandchildren & 14 great grandchildren.

Son, Doug was M.C. for the day. Their oldest son gave a

short history of the couple, also 2 musical numbers were rendered by Family Members. Daughter Lisa presented her parents with Congratulatory Messages for different levels of government.

The happy couple farmed east of Didsbury most of their married life & raised a family of 10 children, & Elsie found time to be a teacher in Didsbury for many years attended W.I. & the United Church.

Theresa McNeil & assistants served a delightful lunch.

The Didsbury Area wishes you folks Congratulations & many more Happy Years together.

The evening closed with a grandson's Wedding (Cyril Jensen & Jennifer Hopkins of Calgary, supper & a dance.

MOUNT VIEW LODGE NEWS

Lodge thanks those who helped with activities

A Happy New Year to all our readers. We hope you all enjoyed a healthy and happy holiday season. The weather certainly co-operated to make travelling easy.

Here at the Lodge we had a lot of special activities. Our sincere thanks to all the groups who came in to entertain and also to the many who took time to drop in for a visit. It was all very much appreciated.

As usual the Auxiliary did a lovely job of decorating and when they will come down on Jan. 8th it will seem very bare.

Our Lodge was recently saddened by the death of resident, Marie Korschuh. Our sincere sympathy to her family and friends. Several others have moved out so since our last news we have welcomed three new residents. Jean Overguard, Florrie Maybank and Mary Volker. We hope you soon feel "at home" here.

- Annie Caush

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Sunday 8:30 am BCP Eucharist only
on second and fourth Sundays
10:30 am Eucharist and Sunday School
(Fifth Sunday morning prayer)
Wednesday 9:30 am Eucharist and Bible Study
(Morning prayer on third Wednesday)
Priest: Rev. Bob Bethson
B.A., M. Div. Home: 335-9123
Morning Prayer and Bible study
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.
"St. Cyprian's Welcomes You"

Knox United Didsbury

Didsbury Pastoral Charge
Minister Rev. Malcolm Proffitt
Office: 335-8373 Manse: 335-8375
Sunday Worship and Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Each Sunday

Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

2030 21st Ave.
Phone: 335-3629
Grant Sikstrom, Senior Pastor
Josh Munson, Associate Pastor
New Youth Pastor Colin Creighton
First Service: 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Second Service: 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Contact the Church regarding Bible studies, Care Groups, Teen Activities & Children's programs.

Berghal Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta
8km South of the Didsbury overpass
8km East on Berghal Rd.
Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service @ 10:55 a.m.
Pastors: Youth Pastor Shane Neufeld
For more information ph. 335-4451

Redeemer Lutheran

LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA
1500-23rd
Rev. Robert Mahms
Church: 335-3161 / Res: 335-3656
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study: Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Jr. & Senior Youth, Women's & Seniors
Ministry Group, Small Group Bible Study meetings
throughout the week.

St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24th Ave. Didsbury Phone 556-3084
Catholic Mass: Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.
Church Social: the 3rd weekend of the month
Contact Claude Baril at 335-3842
CWL Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month 1:00 p.m.

Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church

(14km East of Didsbury)
Pastor John Lucas
Office: 335-4422
Home: 335-8923
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
For info. Concerning weekly activities
please call the Church office.

Chinook Winds Christian Centre

1710 - 14th Didsbury
SUNDAY CELEBRATION: 10 a.m.
Prophetic Worship and Bible Teaching
for all ages - Nursery Service
Every Sunday at 6 p.m. Worship & Prayer
ph/tx: 335-3551 email: cwc@ccnet.ab.ca
Call 335-3323 for Open Sky Learning Centre
The HUB teen drop in centre Friday 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
Pastoral Team: Richard & Beth Kape
See you at the centre!

West Zion Mennonite Church

South of Didsbury to sign - West 1 1/2 miles
Pastor Jim Miller, Info: 337-2020
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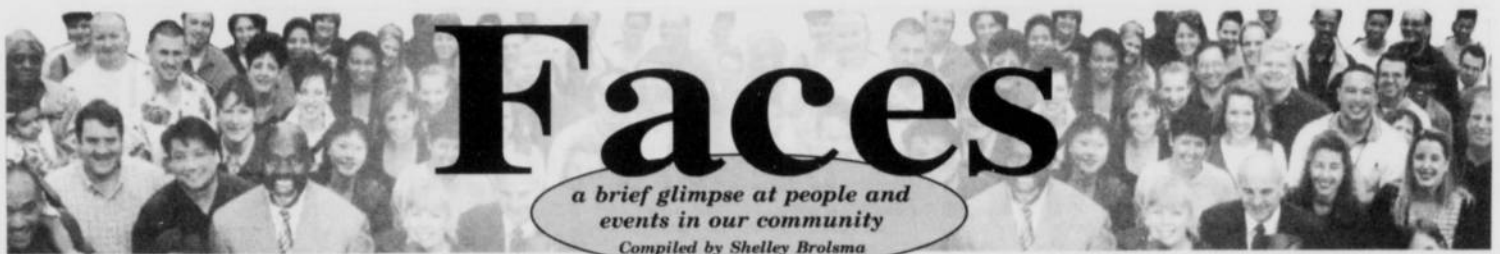
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Faces

a brief glimpse at people and events in our community

Compiled by Shelley Brolsma

Annual Seniors Bonspiel attracts Curlers Near and Far



Angus MacDonald

What do seniors in the communities of Cochrane, Carstairs, Sundre, Olds, Bowden, Innisfail, Torrington and Calgary have in common? Well, for this week, at least, it will be curling in the Seniors Bonspiel at the Didsbury Curling Rink.

From January 14th to 18th approximately 40 rinks are expected to throw their best rocks to vie for cash prizes and participate, if for nothing else, but for the sheer enjoyment of the sport.

Co-organizer Angus MacDonald says the Bonspiel

is becoming so popular there is actually a waiting list of curlers trying to join in on the annual event.

"We have 40 regular rinks; which has expanded from the 32 we had last year, and then an additional three rinks on a waiting list.

"It's encouraging to see such great interest this year in people coming out to Didsbury to curl."

This is the third year MacDonald has helped organize the event, a task he says is getting easier each year. "A lot of it is word of mouth ad-

vertising," MacDonald admits.

"We simply hang a few posters up at the rinks that we feel might be interested in sending some curlers to us and that seems to work very well. That, and phoning the participants that came out to play last year."

Despite the seeming enormity of the task, both MacDonald and Co-Organizer Ernie Ferdine have little trouble drawing enough people to make the event worthwhile.

"As long as the individuals signing up are over 50 years

of age and interested in curling, they are accepted. It's a fun bonspiel to plan and an even better one to play in, so it's never really a problem finding enough curlers on any given year," says MacDonald.

Anyone interested in viewing some excellent seniors curling is encouraged to drop by the Didsbury Curling Rink this week to take in one of many tournament games sure to be taking place.

"It's a great deal of fun, even if you're just a spectator."

Winter Hayrides offered by sleigh-driving enthusiasts

It would be hard to find a child not smiling at the sight of a horse and wagon ride approaching. "Everyone seems to like them and have a good time riding on our wagons," says Walter Keim. Keim, who farms just east of Carstairs, was one of two drivers offering their hay and wagon ride services at the Didsbury Girl Guides Caroling and Food Drive event December 19th. The other was Don Dyck. "We get out to do these kinds of events quite a bit throughout the year. That night in particular was the second time we had our horses out," explains Keim. "...Earlier on we carried around about 80

preschoolers and their parents in Carstairs." While all that activity may seem like a lot to some, Keim maintains the exercise is good for his horses - Norwegian Fjords - and Dyck's Belgians. "It really wasn't too bad because by the time we got out to Didsbury to do the Food Drive there was a bit of a break between houses, so the horses were able to rest."

What sets Keim's and Dyck's hay and wagon ride services aside is the fact that they were offered free of charge. "It's just something we love to do. We give big people and little people rides all the time just to see the smile

on their faces....even seniors enjoy taking a ride. I've done this for four years now and am having a great time."

And word of the great service Keim and Dyck provide is catching on fast. "There's always something going on nearly every weekend," says Keim. "This past weekend, for example, we were up in Bowden doing some rides out there. It's great...a bit of snow and conditions were fine."

Coming up next on his busy agenda will be the Annual Sleigh Parade in Lacombe on February 9th. "There should be over 50 sleighs there. Looks like another good time."



Don Dyck, Jason Dyck, Norm Boettger and Walter Keim

Blood donor clinic held today in multi-purpose room

How long has it been since you last gave blood?

It only takes a small chunk out of our day, yet many people still find it difficult to find the time (or courage) to donate.

If you fall into this category, this week is your chance to reverse that trend

and donate blood at the Mobile Clinic being offered at the Didsbury Multipurpose Room in the Memorial Complex today (Wednesday) January 16th.

The Clinic is one of 150 offered in Calgary and southern Alberta throughout the year. Canadian Blood Services Com-

munications Specialist, Lori Pichette, says they usually try to get out to each rural area at least three times per year.

"Our clinics are all by appointment now so we can better plan our day and prevent long line-ups during busy hours."

Pichette adds the appointment-based system works well given the demanding schedules most people have and notes that all appointments for Didsbury are already full.

"That is not to say that we won't take any more appointments, there are always some people who don't show up.

"It's well worth your while to call in advance and try to book a time slot in anyway."

Anyone interested in booking an appointment must be between the ages of 17 and 61 years and can do so by calling the Canadian Blood Services toll-free at 1-800-TO DONATE.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Library offering introductory computer classes

Did your family get a new computer for Christmas? Is it time to move beyond the "paint" program?

Sign up for introductory computer classes at the library.

Call and ask for Bjay. Free learning sessions with computers and the Internet will be available until the first week of February.

Watch for the display for the Centre for Employment. Excellent resources for

resume writing and job hunting are here at your library where the new Didsbury Job Board will soon be posted. Ask us about the Centre and how we can help.

Check out the links on our web page: <http://dml.prl.ab.ca>

Shake up the winter doldrums with a good read. Unsettling, but important is the expose of oil patch conspiracy in Andrew Nikoforuk's book *Saboteurs*.

For something a little less

serious, try Patricia Cornwell's newest, *Isle of Dogs* "an irreverent portrait of politically driven law enforcement run amok." We also have just acquired the Giller Prize and Governor General's Literary Award winning novel, *Clara Callan*. Author Richard Wright takes us into the hearts and minds of two sisters, one in small town Ontario and one in the bustling New York City of the 1930's. In the uncertainty of the Depression and impending war, they struggle within the web of social expectations for young women.

Thinking of escaping to balmy beaches this winter? Check out our display of tropical travel books; make plans or just dream a little.

Rosebud Foundation "Healthy" and hard working

The Rosebud Health Foundation is holding its fifth annual meeting on January 29, 2002 at 7:30 PM at the 5.0 Club house.

The slogan the Foundation adopted some time ago "With your help we can ease the pain" has proven to be a fitting slogan as demonstrated by the overwhelming generosity of ordinary people from the Didsbury, Carstairs, Cremona Health-Region and the untiring efforts of the Foundation members, past and present.

These people have made it possible to gather 187,500.00 dollars for the Foundation to use in an effort to make stays in the local Hospital more comfortable.

Nearly half of the funds gathered have already been spent in the past 5 years on equipment matching the criteria of comforting devices. Recently, the Foundation agreed to help the Tree of Hope organization purchase a much needed electronically adjustable bed with a pressure mattress for Palliative care to use and be able to provide more comfort to long term bedridden patients.

New recruits to carry on this noble work are always welcome and the annual meeting is an ideal opportunity to gain information on how to participate in the Foundations work. At this years annual meeting Mr. Al Martin CEO of RHA5 (Health-Region 5) will be the guest speaker.

Mr. Martin will be addressing the ever nagging question about the survival of our local acute care facility and may also address the connection between shortages of doctors and the use of the local hospital.

The meeting promises to be an interesting one and is open to all.

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Christmas trees still being recycled in Didsbury

Over 70 Christmas trees were turned into useful mulch as part of an effort by the Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board (DEAB) in association with For Trees and Rocky Mountain Environmental Services.

Residents were asked to put

their natural Christmas trees out on January 5 to be picked up by members of DEAB. The event helped divert over 70 trees from the municipal waste stream.

Residents of Didsbury can still bring their natural Christmas trees to the For Trees

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RURAL THOUGHTS

Small business is the engine that drives the rural economy

by Andy Mitchell, M.P.

"The Government is committed to working with Canadians for the long-term prosperity of all regions of the country ... Canada's rural communities, along with their urban counterparts, contribute significantly to the wealth and prosperity of our nation. But they also face unique challenges: geography, distance from markets, a small population base and reliance on primary sector industries vulnerable to sharp cyclical downturns.

The Government intends to work with rural communities, their citizens, and stakeholders to develop local solutions to these challenges."

This passage from the fed-

eral government's 2001 federal budget plan illustrates clearly that we have come a long way since I tabled the Think Rural report to Parliament in March of 1997.

It shows the importance that this government places on ensuring that rural and remote Canadians have the opportunity to access the wealth of our nation. It also shows that rural Canadians have a voice and a role to play in the future of our country.

The thought illustrates clearly that the Government of Canada has a vision for the future. This vision includes a strong economy, a secure society and the pledge to improve the quality of life for all Canadians, regardless of where they

live. This budget places emphasis on innovation and ingenuity, skills and learning, continued tax relief and transformation of our agricultural industry.

There are a number of initiatives in the current budget that will set us on the way to the future and benefit those of us who choose to call rural and remote Canada home. These include an extension of the popular SchoolNet and Community Access Program (CAP) to the year 2003-2004. These two programs have made Canada the first country in the world to connect all of its libraries and schools to the information superhighway. After 2004, an additional \$35 million a year will be invested to ensure

broadband access for all Canadians. This will help overcome one of the main challenges rural and remote Canadians face, that of distance to markets in the future.

Agriculture plays a significant role in many rural communities.

The budget reaffirmed the government's commitment to the agricultural policy framework, which goes hand in hand with providing long-term, predictable funding.

The goal is to help the agricultural industry move beyond crisis management and towards a framework for success in the years ahead. The new approach being collaborated on with the provinces and territories, along with farm groups,

will consist of five important elements: risk management, food safety, the environment, innovation and renewal.

A more stable future for agriculture will translate into a brighter horizon for many rural communities.

Small business is the engine that drives the rural economy. The budget will allow businesses to temporarily defer their corporate tax installments and over the next three months, totalling up \$2 billion dollars.

The current economic climate has created new challenges for small and medium sized enterprises. This new tax measure will improve cash flow at a time when businesses need it the most.

BUSINESS

GREEN MATTERS

Alberta's contributions to pollution and global warming

by Robert Austin

In the late 1800s reports of oil seeps and tar sands in what was to become the northern part of Alberta aroused sporadic interest in Ottawa. The Geological Survey of Canada undertook exploratory drilling at two sites along the Athabasca River between Athabasca and Grand Rapids. The first well was a dud.

The second well however, produced a resounding surprise. Drilled at Pelican Rapids in 1898 it struck natural gas and blew out producing a torch that could be heard 2 km away and was not capped until 1919 when its major force had subsided. At the time this was strictly a local curiosity since there was neither any way to contain the gas nor to transport it to distant users in eastern America.

This 21 year burn-off was probably Alberta's longest running continuous flare.

To date, thousands of wells have been drilled in Alberta and large scale flaring has become part of the well operations. Oil wells flare to burn off gas that doesn't warrant the cost of a pipeline. Gas plants flare to convert H₂S into water and less toxic sulphur dioxide. Flaring also occurs during routine maintenance

and emergency gas burn-offs. To give some perspective, all of the flaring in Alberta during 1990 would have heated the City of Calgary for a year. This is a lot of pollution and wasted energy.

In addition to the carbon dioxide produced by the burning process another more deadly substance is produced by sour gas wells. Hydrogen sulphide, H₂S, is found in about 40% of Alberta's gas wells and a minimum of 97% of the sulphur must be removed before the gas is marketed.

Gas containing H₂S is as deadly as cyanide. As little as .06 of 1 percent (600 parts per million) can kill a person. Even more insidious is exposure to less than lethal amounts released into the atmosphere by flaring and accidental leakage. A good whiff of sour gas can cause loss of consciousness. Sour gas poisoning can cause memory loss, lung failure, blindness, heart problems, loss of smell and early aging.

Perhaps the saddest result of H₂S poisoning is its effect on the unborn of women exposed to small amounts over a period of time. Abortion, stillbirth and fetal damage can occur. Similar losses occur in livestock, cattle, horses, sheep and goats. It is only in the last 10 years that industry and government have be-

gun to admit - very reluctantly - that the largest economic force in the province just might be doing real and continual damage.

Another side effect of the release of sulphurous compounds into the air is their combination with atmospheric moisture to form acid rain. Dying tree tops and vegetation are often evident around sour gas wells and plants.

We are a greedy society. Oil and gas have a major influence on Alberta's economics and government. Yet, in the name of prosperity and progress we continue to pollute and drain our resources. Industry has its own agenda - growth and profits. Government likewise attends to re-election and power.

We citizens appear to have been placed out in left field and advised to be quiet and, it is inferred, we will be looked after.

Our problem is that too many Albertans are too comfortable. We are content to sit back and "Let Mikey do it." With global warming and pollution we are in a pay me now or pay me later situation. Where do you think the higher cost will lie?

Robert Austin is a former teacher and businessman who lives in Didsbury.

AGRICULTURE

Western Canada farmers face a huge moisture deficit

As head of Weather and Crop Surveillance for the Canadian Wheat Board, Bruce Burnett is often asked, "Just how dry is it?" Burnett responds by explaining that these are the driest conditions ever recorded on the Canadian prairies.

"We eclipsed records for low precipitation in much of Saskatchewan and in southern Alberta for 2001," says Burnett. "Any way you look at it, there has been a record breaking drought in a number of locations."

Southern Alberta has been hard hit with two years of record low precipitation. In 2000, Lethbridge recorded only 7.1 inches of precipitation, breaking the old record of 7.6 inches set in 1918. Then, in 2001, the record was shattered again with only 6.5 inches of precipitation.

Normal yearly precipitation for Lethbridge is 15.7 inches, more than has been received for 2000 and 2001 added together.

Burnett says the lack of soil moisture over such a broad region is a big worry heading into the 2002 growing season. "Even with average precipitation, the prairie crop is likely to be below average."

We need a lot of precipitation to overcome the current deficit."

Bruce Burnett will be the opening speaker at a Canadian Wheat Board meeting Friday in Saskatoon. The meeting is being held as part of Crop Production Week.

In addition to detailing the prairie weather situation, Burnett will look at weather patterns in other major grain growing regions. He says there is some concern over dry-

ness in the hard red winter wheat areas of the U.S. and Argentina has suffered some serious flooding problems.

Burnett will also examine the long range weather forecasts for Western Canada, but he cautions that long range weather forecasts have limited accuracy.

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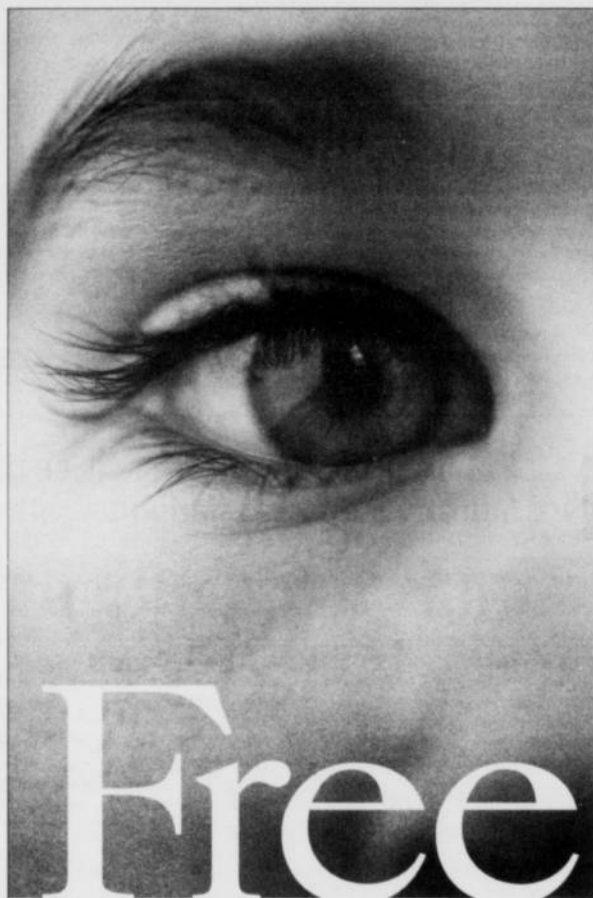
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Action on Energy

A Progress Report from Alberta's Oil and Gas Industry



Working together to resolve issues.

A lot of people have a stake in oil and gas development in Alberta.

That's why 50 groups across the province are actively analyzing issues that result from energy projects. Some groups – made up of local petroleum operators, citizens and regulators – are working together to resolve concerns ranging from company operations to health effects.

It's "synergy," meaning, their combined effort is greater than an individual one.

The Sundre Petroleum Operators Group (SPOG) is one such team focused on finding solutions. Dave Brown, a local farmer and member of SPOG, believes they are following a process that works.

"Synergy groups bring people together to learn about and understand each other," says Brown. "If there's a concern, it belongs to all stakeholders. Getting around the table is important because it gives us the opportunity to look at options and seek solutions for everyone involved."

The Sundre group follows a step-by-step process to resolve issues.

"Anyone can phone us if they have a problem," he adds, stating the request is then logged, and a kitchen table meeting is called.

Results of the get-together set the direction for the next steps.

"A synergy group that brings all the players to the table provides an option that we believe works best," says Brown.

Each community shapes the form of their synergy group to reflect their particular needs and issues.

The value these groups offer and their experiences will be the subject of a conference in Red Deer in February 2002. Members will come together for the first time to share ideas on how to work in partnership on local development issues.



Dave Brown, Sundre, Alberta



Flaring in Alberta reduced by 38%. Industry surpasses flaring targets.



Roland Larouche, Chauvin, Alberta

In 1997 about 93 flares from nearby oil wells lit up the night sky around Chauvin, Alberta.

"It was so bright, you could drive some roads at night without your headlights," says former municipal councillor Roland Larouche.

Today, 82 of those lights are out. That's part of an effort that saw province-wide flaring levels reduced 38% between 1996 and 2000, far exceeding the 25% target originally set for 2001.

Companies flare to get rid of unusable gas and to ensure safety during emergencies or routine maintenance.

In 1998, the Clean Air Strategic Alliance (CASA) developed a framework for reducing and managing flaring in the province. CASA is a multi-stakeholder, non-profit association charged with developing an air quality approach for Albertans. It identified targets to reduce 1996 flaring levels by up to 70% by 2007.

"We understand the public's concern about flaring and that's why we moved to surpass the flaring targets," says Pierre Alvarez, president of the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers.

"The oil and gas industry is committed to the long-term goal of eliminating routine solution gas flaring," says Alvarez.

Flaring Reduction Schedule (1996 baseline)

Year	Reduction Targets	Actual Reduction
1999	0%	30%
2000	15%	38%
2001	25%	2001 data not yet calculated



Sour gas: Albertans' concerns get response.

In response to public concerns, a provincially appointed sour gas panel has put forward 87 recommendations to address sour gas development and public safety. Work on 46 of these recommendations is now under way.

Sour gas improvements under way in 2001 include:

- Better emergency response planning
- More EUB inspections and audits
- Stronger public consultation requirements
- Highest priority response to sour gas complaints

During 2000, people in 22 communities were given the floor to speak their minds about sour gas.

Their issues, such as health and safety, were heard loud and clear by members of an independent sour gas panel that included representatives of the petroleum industry, the public at large and governments.

"The petroleum industry needed to listen to the people living near these operations," says Frank George, an industry representative who participated in the review. "The public needed to know that the industry and the regulator were ready to act."

The panel, set up by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB), responded by preparing a comprehensive plan with specific ways for industry to improve public safety. Work on the remaining 41 recommendations will be implemented over the next two years.

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Bantam provincials coming to Didsbury

Didsbury Minor Hockey Association looking for help in hosting major event

Get ready to roll out the red carpet Didsbury; there is great news at hand! The Didsbury Minor Hockey Association has received word that the Didsbury Bantams have been awarded the Provincial Tournament for their level.

These games will be hosted March 8, 9 and 10th, 2002 at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. Opening ceremonies will commence Friday night, March 8th at 7:00 pm. Eight different zones

from across Alberta will be travelling to participate in this huge event to give us the best in hockey. As well as being beneficial to many surrounding towns and businesses, it keeps alive the spirit of hockey so prevalent in rural Alberta.

The last time provincials were hosted in Didsbury was in 1999 when the Midget B girls were the lucky recipients.

From that experience we

remember the tremendous amount of increased traffic and people looking for accommodation in Didsbury and neighboring towns.

Sponsorship and support is always greatly needed and appreciated in turn.

Anyone wishing to contribute in any capacity to this event or needing further information can contact chairmans, Brain Clazie at 335-8008 cell. 556-4536 or Steve Fillmore at 335-9838

cell 556-9860.

We have an exciting challenge ahead of us and are hoping many from all around will come out and join us for this fun-filled event, it won't happen often!

Please keep watching your local newspapers and bulletins for continuing coverage and updates. The proud hosts of the provincial event, who earn an automatic berth in the tournament are the Didsbury Bantam Revolts.

MINOR HOCKEY

A winning weekend for Atom B Roughriders

The game on Saturday in Indus, was the Roughriders first encounter with the top team in their division. Indus opened the scoring with the only goal in the first period.

The Roughriders scored three in the second period and four more in the third. Indus came on strong in the third, but Don (Dominator) Kilmury made huge glove saves that kept Indus to scoring only 2 goals to make the

final 7-3.

Dayle Kimmel, Sheldon Watkins(2), Sam Kilmury, John Carlson (2) and Matt Jaenen scored the Roughriders goals. Assists went to Mac Southgate, Chelsea Overwater, Zac Pochapsky and Eric Timmins

The Roughriders went into Morley on Sunday all pumped up from Saturdays win in Indus. The team came out and scored three goals in

the first period, Sam Kilmury, Alex Hutcheon and Zac Pochapsky.

Jordan Whitfield was skating and playing hard in front of Stoneys goal, giving Matt Jaenen the opportunity to score a goal in the second period. Don played another strong game in goal. The defense team of Kasey Eichorst, Tyler Hobbs, Jesse Steward, Chelsea Overwater and Eric Timmins played

smart and tough in front of the net, limiting Stoneys scoring chances.

With hustle and heads up hockey Sam Kilmury scored 4 goals, leading the team to a 7-3 win.

Keep working hard in practice Roughriders because as a NHL player once said "It's not necessarily the amount of time you spend at practice that counts, it's what you put into the practice."

AJHL Grizzlys acquire AJHL all-star for playoff run

The Olds Grizzlys have acquired AJHL all-star forward Percy Moe from the Fort Saskatchewan Traders in exchange for veteran defenseman Sean Offers, who was in turn dealt to the Drayton Valley Thunder by the Traders.

The 20-year-old Moe, who hails from Sherwood Park, is expected to provide some grit, scoring and leadership for the Grizzlys in their playoff run.

In separate deals, the Grizzlys sent veteran scoring ace Brent Kisio to the Fort McMurray Oil Barons for future considerations and defenseman Chad Hauser to the Powell River Kings of the BCHL for futures as well.

Colby Hauser and Kyle Magnusson will join the Jr. B. Rimby Rock for the remainder of the season.

The Grizzlys also added two players that should be familiar to the Grizzlys fans and players; 20 year old forward, and last years playoff MVP, Jason Steenbergen from Sylvan Lake and 20 year old defenseman Brent Hope from Red Deer. Both players are expected to add to the Grizzlys skill, size, toughness and experience level.

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Past Week

Didsbury Bantam B Hockey team wins Lethbridge tournament with a final score of 5-2.

Didsbury Pee Wee C hockey team squeaked out a 5-4 overtime victory to win a home town tournament A side honors.

Upcoming

Didsbury Bantam B will be hosting the Alberta Provincial Championships in March

Olds Grizzlys become active at trading deadline

by Barry Williams

In an effort to stabilize their line-up for the approaching playoffs, the Olds Grizzlys were active at the Alberta Junior Hockey League trading deadline.

Veteran defenceman Sean Offers was dealt to the Fort Saskatchewan Traders for the acquisition of All-star forward Percy Moe, a prolific scorer in the AJHL for the past two years. Before the ink had dried on the trade contract, the Traders dealt Offers to the Drayton Valley Thunder for future considerations.

Another three year vet-

eran, Brent Kisio, the Grizzlys' leading scorer for the current season, was acquired by the Fort McMurray Oil Barons for future considerations. As well, defenceman, Chad Hauser was dealt to the Powell River Kings, of the BCJHL, for future considerations. Assigned to the Rimby Rock of the Heritage Junior Hockey League for the remainder of the current season were Colby Hauser and Kyle Magnuson.

Kisio, a player who gives 100% on each and every shift, was a fan favorite at the Olds Sports Complex due to his tenacious style of play.

Often playing with an added edge, Kisio, an assistant captain with the Grizzlys, was a leader on and off the ice. This season, Kisio has dented the twine 20 times and added 31 helpers to lead the Grizzlys in scoring with 51 points. The son of former New York Islanders' star forward Kelly Kisio, now the General Manager of the Calgary Hitmen, of the Western Hockey League, Brent has been selected to play in the Alberta Junior Hockey League's Prospects Game being held in conjunction with the league All-star Game in Camrose on the Jan. 26-

27, 2002 weekend.

Offers had 19 points on 2 goals and 17 assists with the Grizzlys this season and has always been a solid rearguard on the blue line.

Bringing Moe into the line-up, the Grizzlys receive a solid two way forward known for his touch around the net. A native

of Sherwood Park, Moe has been an AJHL north division All-star for the past two years and he is expected to contribute offensively for the Grizzlys.

Besides being active on the trading block, the Grizzlys also acquired the playing rights to two former players,

defenceman Brent Hope and last year's playoff MVP Jason Steenbergen. Both players made an impact in their first game back with the Grizzlys as they twinkled the twine once a piece to lead the Grizzlys to a 7-3 victory over the Brooks Bandits in AJHL action played in Brooks on Jan. 11, 2002.

MINOR HOCKEY BRIEFS

Peewee C team skates away with win over Hanna

Didsbury minor hockey has every reason to be proud this past weekend. The Bantam B team came away with a tournament A final 5-2 victory at Lethbridge and the Pee Wee C's squeaked out a 5-4 overtime A final victory in Didsbury.

The Bantam B's needed 2 wins and a tie to earn their birth in the final with scores of 5-4, 6-5 and 4-4 tie.

In Didsbury Saturday the host Pee Wee C team skated to a 7-6 victory over a strong Hanna team. Also on Saturday the team came up short in a 7-6 decision for the powerful Chestermere team. Sunday was a must win situation, and the Didsbury team didn't upset the home town

crowd. They trounced Red Deer 13-0 to set up a rematch with the powerful Chestermere team in the A final. Didsbury was determined and it took Overtime before they upset Chestermere 5-4 and took top spot in the exciting tournament.

Action on Saturday had the Didsbury tykes travelling to Trochu for a game with Three Hills. The trip was worth while as they skated to a convincing 15-4 win in a solid game that had every player contributing on the score sheet. Travis Smith led the way with his hot stick, notching 6 goals. Mike Northcott wasn't far behind, potting 4 goals. Maija Lappalla's speed was too much to handle as she got 2 goals.

Singles were scored through hard work by Shauni Hasselberg, Colin Northcott and Daniel Graf. Devon Nuttal led the way in the assist department with 4 helpers. Jacob Strautman, Jordan Olson and Shauni Hasselberg each had 3 assists. Daniel Graf, Colin Northcott and Maija Lappalla each had two helpers. Three Hills fired a lot of shots at Taylor Allen, but his Hasek style had the other team frustrated the whole game.

Congratulations Didsbury hockey players on such a successful weekend!!

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Didsbury Atom A's beat Okotoks

On Sunday Jan. 13 the Atom A's were in Okotoks for an early morning tilt. And tilt it was. Didsbury faced a very physical Okotoks team that did its best to intimidate our local boys. Okotoks physical play led to repeated penalties and kept the refs busy to keep control of the game.

Didsbury held its cool however and stayed with good old fashioned hustle to bring home a 7-1 victory. With many a power play it was a few short handed goals that actually broke the game open for Didsbury. Matt Metka scored three times, John Johnston twice while Kyle Gebers and Cody Wood added singles. The lone assist went to Randy Hunter. Three cheers for the coaches who have the boys playing solid hockey down the home stretch and currently sitting in second place in league play.

Tykes start New Year on a successful note

Didsbury Tyke Rangers had a great game two weeks ago. All twelve players came out psyched to win their first game after Christmas break, and they succeeded! Travis Smith shone with 5 goals and Jay Gole put in a solid effort and scored 2 goals strictly through hard work. The rest of the team pitched in to bring the score to 10 with their determination and hard work. Go Rangers Go!

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We wish to thank our family for hosting our 60th wedding anniversary party at the Didsbury Complex on Dec. 31st. Thank you, too, to all our relatives and friends who joined us, brought or sent cards and made our day so special. Also a very big thank you to Theresa McNeil for supplying the delicious lunch for the tea.

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We want to extend our sincere thanks to our many church and community friends and relatives who have helped us through the difficult time following the sudden death of our Dad, Jacob Friesen. Your calls, visits, cards, food and flowers were all so much appreciated, and your words of consolation and encouragement, your hugs and your prayers have meant a lot to us. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Ross, Judy, Irma, John, Barb, Carolyn and Brenda

We wish to express our thanks to all our friends & relatives for the visits, food, flowers, phone calls & cards we received at the time of Mom's, Ruby Kimmel, passing. A special thank you to the staff at Unit 4 for 10 years of wonderful care given to her. Your kindness & consideration is greatly appreciated.

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Our sincere thanks to our friends & neighbors for all your kindness during the passing of our mom, Marie Konschuh. All hugs, cards, flowers and food were greatly appreciated.

The Konschuh family

OBITUARY

FRIESEN - Jacob Friesen passed away suddenly at his home on January 1, 2002 at the age of 78. He was born on November 30, 1923 in More, Crimea and came to Canada with his parents, older brother John and sister Anne. They settled in the Chinook-Youngstown area where his younger brother Henry and sister Mary were born before moving to Namaka. Jacob married Lena Eitzen on April 22, 1951. They established their own farm in the Didsbury area, enjoying 44 happy and loving years before Lena passed away in 1995. Jacob continued living on the farm until his sudden passing. Jacob took particular pleasure in the ability to bring more life to this world thru animals, plants and gardening. This lifelong interest growing fruit trees inspired him to plant cherry bushes, plum trees and more recently grape vines. He was successful in grafting fruit tree branches onto various root stock. Jacob enjoyed visiting and meeting people and had lots of stories to tell of places he had been and the people he had met. He will be fondly remembered by his daughters Judy (Ross) Warner of Didsbury, Irma Friesen of Calgary and Barbara (John) Feldberg of Calgary, his granddaughters Carolyn and Brenda and many nieces, nephews and friends. Funeral services were held on Monday, January 7, 2002 at Berghal Mennonite Church with Rev. David Letkemann officiating. Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury in charge of the arrangements. In memory of Jacob, donations may be made to the Canada Foodgrains Bank (P.O. 767, Winnipeg, MB R3C 2L4).

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Every Tuesday night at the Elks Hall. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Support Group

The Fibromyalgia Support Group is meeting at the Presbyterian Church on Jan. 24 from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. For more info call 335-3527.

Meeting

Compassionate Friends - last Thursday of each month (except December), 7:30 p.m. in Board Room at Drumheller Health Unit. Contact Linda Adams at 823-3341.

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St. Cyprian's A.C.W. will hold their meeting at the Church Hall at 2:30 p.m. on Monday January 28th. All ladies new to town and district welcome.

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DIVORCE CARE

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CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Registered Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies whom share a common concern of managing funds sensibly. For more info contact Elaine at 250-832-7671 or Jan at 250-392-5474.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting-Second Monday of each month 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265. RSVP

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info call Jean at the Town Office at 335-3391.

TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: Open Tuesdays 10-11:30 a.m. and 2nd & 4th Saturdays for the fall at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. At Redeemer Lutheran Church, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-2388 for more information.

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KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

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INFORMATION

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BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

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SUPPORT GROUP

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LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. Meet on last Tuesday of the month in lower level conference room in Physiotherapy Unit of Hospital. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

LONE PINE

T.O.P.S.

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OLDS

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

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